GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:204
ANSWERED ON:01.03.2005
GUTKA MANUFACTURERS WITH UNDERWORLD
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some businessmen including Gutka manufacturers and film stars/actress have close link with underworld;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard;

(d) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(e) the action taken against the guilty persons?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a) to (e): During the course of investigation of a case registered by Mumbai Police under Section 120-B read with Sections 384, 387 & 34 of Indian Penal Code, Sections 3 & 25 of the Arms Act and Section 3(1)
(ii), 3(2) and 3(4) of the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime (MCOC) Act, 1999, one of the accused had stated that two Gutka manufacturers namely, Shri Rasiklal Dhariwal of Manikchand Group of Companies and Shri J.M. Joshi of Goa Gutka had a meeting with gangster Anis Ibrahim Kaskar (brother of Dawood Ibrahim) in connection with settlement of their financial dispute. Non-bailable warrants were obtained from MCOC Court against Shri Dhariwal and Shri Joshi. On the request of Government of Maharashtra, the CBI has taken over the above case for further investigation on 09.02.2005. In the meantime, an interim chargesheet had been submitted by Maharashtra Police in the MCOC Special Court on 24.01.2005 against arrested accused Jamiruddin & Rajesh Panchariya and wanted accused Anis Ibrahim & Farukh Mohd. Mansuri.